



General Assembly

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Resolution No. 305**

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Introduced by:

REP. LYONS, 146<sup>th</sup> Dist.  
REP. AMANN, 118<sup>th</sup> Dist.  
REP. WARD, 86<sup>th</sup> Dist.  
REP. BARRY, 12<sup>th</sup> Dist.

SEN. SULLIVAN, 5<sup>th</sup> Dist.  
SEN. LOONEY, 11<sup>th</sup> Dist.  
SEN. DELUCA, 32<sup>nd</sup> Dist.  
SEN. HANDLEY, 4<sup>th</sup> Dist.

**RESOLUTION EXPRESSING SYMPATHY IN THE DEATH OF DAVID M.  
BARRY.**

Resolved by this Assembly:

1 WHEREAS, David M. Barry died on July 13, 2003, at the age of 72;  
2 and

3 WHEREAS, he served as a State Representative from 1958 to 1960,  
4 and as a State Senator from 1966 to 1970 and from 1974 to 1980,  
5 representing the people of the town of Manchester; and

6 WHEREAS, during his years of service in the General Assembly, he  
7 chaired the Committees on Military and Veterans' Affairs,  
8 Constitutional Amendments, Executive Nominations, and Public  
9 Personnel and Military Affairs, was vice-chair of the Committee on the  
10 Judiciary, and also served on the Committees on Finance, General  
11 Law, and Human Rights and Opportunities; and

12 WHEREAS, born and raised in Manchester, he graduated from  
13 Trinity College and from the Boston University School of Law; and

14 WHEREAS, he served as Special Agent in the United States Army  
15 Counter Intelligence Corps, and then was in the practice of law for  
16 twenty-six years; and

17 WHEREAS, he was appointed a Judge of the Superior Court in 1981,  
18 served with distinction for nearly twenty years, and was appointed a  
19 Judge Trial Referee in 2000; and

20 WHEREAS, during his eminent career, he also served as Deputy  
21 Mayor of the town of Manchester, Manchester Town Attorney,  
22 chairperson of the Connecticut Juvenile Justice Commission, President  
23 of the Connecticut Judges Association, chairperson of the Manchester  
24 Charter Revision Commission, and Counsel to the Connecticut State  
25 Senate Democrats; and

26 WHEREAS, he was devoted to his family and set a standard for  
27 strong marriages, remaining the best of friends with his wife to the  
28 end, and doing whatever it took throughout the years to spend  
29 extensive time with his children; and

30 WHEREAS, he is survived by his wife, Judith Leclerc Barry; six  
31 children, Joan Barry and her husband Daniel D'Aquila of Blue Bell,  
32 Pennsylvania, David Barry Jr. and his wife Linda of West Hartford,  
33 Michael Barry of Hartford, Mark Barry and his wife Britt of New  
34 London, State Representative Ryan Barry and his wife Lisa of  
35 Manchester, Bridget "Bridie" Barry of Manchester; and four  
36 grandchildren, Matthew D'Aquila, Robert D'Aquila, Liv Barry and  
37 Brooke Barry.

38 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Connecticut  
39 General Assembly expresses its sincere and heartfelt condolences on  
40 the death of David M. Barry, friend and former colleague, whose death  
41 is a profound loss to the General Assembly, his friends and family, the

42 town of Manchester, and the entire state of Connecticut; and

43 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the clerks of the Senate and the  
44 House of Representatives cause a copy of this resolution to be sent to  
45 the family of David M. Barry as an expression of the high esteem and  
46 affection in which he was held.